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Applicant Microsoft Corporation
Attorney's Docket No. MSI-388U
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In the Claims:

Claims 1-39 were previously pending.

Claims 1, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 13, 17, 19, 23, 25, 28, 31, 33, 37, and 39 are
amended.

Please cancel claims 7, 26, and 34 without prejudice.

Claims 1-6, 8-25, 27-33, and 35-39 are pending.

Please amend ~~claims~~ 1, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 13, 17, 19, 23, 25, 28, 31, 33, 37, and
39 as follows:

1. (Amended) A system comprising: